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The Home Department Again.

We have been in correspondence with the principal publishers of Sunday-school Lesson Helps in Great Britain and the United States with a view to getting all the information possible as to the successful management of the Home Department. These publishers have been very generous in furnishing the information asked for. From the study of this we have derived many admirable helps and hints. Those who know most about the Home Department are most enthusiastic in its favour. In a large number of our churches in Canada this Department is in vigorous operation. We have asked for testimonies, which we soon expect to present.

An indication of the wide interest felt in the subject is shown in an article by

Mr. W. T. Stead, in the Review of Reviews for December, in which is described what is said to be "the finest Sunday-school in the world," that of the Calvary Baptist Church, in Washington. It has two thousand scholars enrolled, with five general officers, eight associate superintendents, nineteen assistants, and eighty-eight teachers. It meets in a special Sunday-school house, all the school-rooms, halls, etc., are covered with heavy Brussels carpet, and steam heated in winter. What especially commands the admiration of the Editor is the Home Department in charge of a special Visitor, who is assisted by twenty-two class Visitors. These visit the homes of those who study the lessons, giving them help as needed.

Among the several outlines of the Home Department that have reached us, there is, of course, a general resemblance. As a typical example, we select for presentation that prepared by the Rev. Dr. Worden, of the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia:

WHAT IS THE HOME DEPARTMENT OF
THE SABBATH-SCHOOL?

The Home Department of the Sabbath-school is that branch of the school which systematizes and develops the weekly study of the lessons at home by those who for any reason are unable to attend the sessions of the Sabbath-school.

WHAT IS THE STANDING OF THE HOME
DEPARTMENT?

The same as the Primary, Intermediate or Adult Department of the Sabbath-school. The Home Department members are to be placed upon the roll of the school, and are to have the rights, privileges, and fellowship of the members of the Sabbath-school. The Home Department visitors are to be considered as regular teachers in the Sabbath-school.

WHAT ARE THE DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF
THE HOME DEPARTMENT?

To study the Sabbath-school lessons at least half an hour each week as individuals, or in family or neighbourhood classes, to keep an accurate record of the study of each week, and to report such study to the Visitor of the Home Department; and to make a weekly offering.